

FEMA Awards Funding to Wyoming for Post-Fire Mitigation

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DENVER – FEMA recently awarded more than \$400,000 to Albany and Carbon counties for post-fire mitigation. The funds are related to FEMA’s approval of a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) request from the state of Wyoming for the Mullen Fire. The Mullen Fire started on Sept. 17, 2020, and burned more than 176,800 acres.

As a part of the FMAG award, funding is made available through FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Post-Fire assistance for hazard mitigation measures that substantially reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, loss, or suffering. Albany County received a federal cost share of \$352,500, and Carbon County received \$77,625. The program has a maximum 75 percent federal cost share, with the remaining costs the responsibility of the state and the applicant. The funding covers a variety of hazard mitigation measures including replanting grass and vegetation, erosion control, tree removal, soil stabilization, and mulching.

For more information about FEMA’s HMGP Post-Fire program, visit <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/post-fire>

